



REPORTS

— OF THE —

SELECTMEN & OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

— OF —

Charlestown, N. H.,

— INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE —

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

— AND —

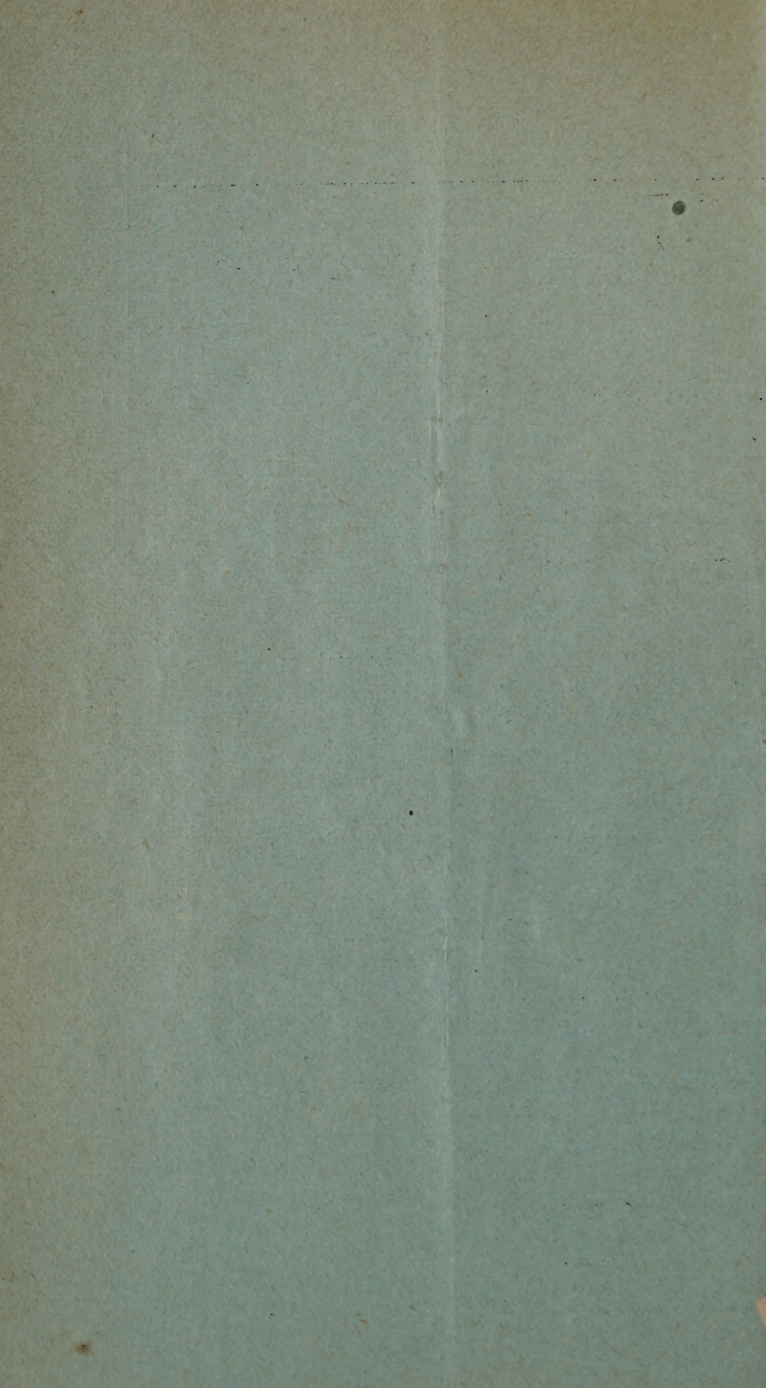
Board of Education,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1ST, 1887.

Frank W. Stiles, Printer,
SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT.

1887.



State of New Hampshire.

L. S. To the inhabitants of the town of Charlestown qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday the 8th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2nd. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- 3rd. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools, for the maintenance of the poor, for laying out and repairing highways, building and repairing bridges, and for the necessary charges arising within the town.
- 4th. To hear the reports of committees or agents and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 5th. To see what action the town will take in regard to a division of the school money.
- 6th. To see if the town will vote the use of the Town Hall to the different societies in said town.
- 7th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the fire department.
- 8th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the scraping of the sidewalks in the village of Charlestown.
- 9th. To see what discount the town will vote to make on taxes paid before a specified time.

10th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed twenty-eight dollars, for the decoration of soldiers' graves, in said town, on the 30th of May next.

11th. To see if the town will vote to elect by ballot a Custodian of the Town Hall.

12th. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a Road Scraper.

13th. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the highway, commencing near Farwell's Mills, and running in an easterly course, and intersecting with the highway running by Watson J. Walker's to Unity.

14th. To see if the town will vote to fix and establish the sum of twenty-five dollars, as the annual salary to be paid the Town Clerk, for his services.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February, A. D. 1887.

SULLIVAN J. DEMARY,	} Selectmen of Charlestown
GARDNER WAY,	
GEORGE O. DUNBAR,	

REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

— OF THE —

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN,

— FOR THE YEAR ENDING —

MARCH 1ST, 1887.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Town, at the annual meeting in March, 1886, voted to raise these sums:

For State tax.....	\$ 2,108 00
County tax.....	1,966 82
Schools.....	2,800 00
Roads and Bridges.....	600 00
Town Officers.....	500 00
Incidentals	200 00
	\$ 8,174 82
Selectmen added,.....	102 71
	\$ 8,277 53
Highway tax, to be paid in labor.....	\$ 1,700 00

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN,

In account with GEORGE OLCOTT, *Treasurer.***Cr.**

Balance March 1st, 1886,.....	\$ 147 28
Mrs. O'Leary, repayment,.....	12 20
G E Heywood, school No. 9,.....	3 08
Town Farm sales,.....	11 00
Town Histories sold,.....	16 10
School District No. 13, (Shaw)...	3 00
D Bradford, taxes,.....	4,176 42
L B Eaton, taxes,.....	5 31
County paupers,.....	559 45
Abatement State tax,.....	128 00
Insurance tax,.....	1 88
Railroad tax,.....	869 84
Savings Bank tax,.....	2,643 77
Literary Fund,.....	218 88
E Cooley, rent,.....	90 00
E F Hubbard, interest,.....	60 00
I Tripp, Town Hall,.....	25 00
E C Aldrich, highway,.....	4 54
Billiard licenses,.....	20 00
Mrs. O'Leary, repayment,.....	112 70
	\$ 9,108 45

Dr.

Paid, Schools,.....	\$ 3,084 41
Roads and Bridges,.....	296 57
Town Paupers,.....	181 70
County Paupers,.....	578 70
Incidentals,.....	580 67
Cemetery, ...	126 85
Town Debt,.....	2,695 84
Town Officers,.....	750 75
	\$ 8,295 49
Balance due Town,.....	812 96
	\$ 9,108 45

SCHOOLS.

Paid J J Shaw, District No. 13,	\$ 60 67
O E Fisk,	504 06
D E Farwell,	829 25
R H Ramsay,	536 95
High School, District No. 2 & 3,	1,153 48
	\$ 3,084 41

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

R W Robertson, gravel and labor,	\$ 4 50
G H Powers, gravel,	2 00
Charles Pecor, labor,	3 75
J C Fairbrother, breaking roads,	6 15
“ “ gravel district No. 8,	7 00
“ “ labor,	7 50
E J Anderson, labor,	6 00
G L Richardson, labor,	5 25
J B Anderson, labor,	10 00
L Pecor, labor,	3 90
A C Eggleston, labor,	11 57
H H Miller, breaking and repairing roads,	10 80
J T Hatch, snowing bridge,	3 00
Samuel Putnam, labor,	5 47
G Way, fence posts,	2 00
R W Ward, breaking roads,	3 99
G A White, work on bridge,	3 50
H Cooley, labor,	10 24

C C Porter, labor,	17 14
J C Fairbrother, gravel,	7 80
G L Bond, poles for railing,	10 00
L Lane, gravel,	11 00
S P Osgood, lumber,	2 50
G A White, labor,	50
Ann B Putnam, gravel,	3 75
G L Richardson, labor,	2 95
J C Fairbrother, gravel,	7 50
J Jardine, labor,	3 36
M Meany, labor,	5 40
S P Osgood, lumber,	3 84
C A Finley, work on water trough,	3 95
J C Fairbrother, labor,	80
P Bashaw, water trough,	2 00
M C Burbank, water trough,	2 00
J C Fairbrother, land damage,	6 00
E Cooley, gravel,	1 50
J Jardine, labor,	3 50
H D Clark, breaking roads and labor,	12 98
D E Farwell, lumber,	9 85
D E Farwell, water trough,	2 00
G A Bruce, labor,	3 80
J W Fisk, breaking roads,	7 80
G N Breed, breaking roads,	2 00
G H Powers, gravel,	2 00
William Hamlin, water trough,	2 00
C H O'Neil, breaking roads,	16 32
William Putnam, labor,	6 60
A L Lane, labor,	3 05
S T Searle, gravel,	2 50
H W Howard, breaking roads,	1 50
S G Smith, water trough,	2 00
E E Hatch, snowing bridge,	3 50
Charles Barker, water trough,	2 00
S E Gowing, labor,	14 56

\$ 296 57

TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid E M Megrath, Frank Adams,	\$ 60 00
J L Macrae, Mrs. Clement,	2 00
J P Bancroft, P O'Leary,	112 70
H C Ellinwood, Geo. Hunter,	7 00
	\$ 181 70

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	\$ 8 00
“ “ “	6 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
James Finnegan, transient,	1 50
C L Corbin & Co., D C Dane,	4 00
“ “ Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
G Way, transient,	1 00
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
“ “ D C Dane,	4 00
S G Smith, D Straw,	16 51
G H Moody, Mrs. Moody,	8 00
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	7 50
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	7 50
C L Corbin & Co., D C Dane,	4 00
“ “ Mrs. Erskine,	10 00
F Bolio, Landon child,	2 50
G H Moody, Mrs. Moody,	5 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
“ “ “	2 50

M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
W H Labaree, John Blood,	7 90
J T Hatch, Frank Corbin,	2 50
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
“ “ Martha Rowell,	47
“ “ D C Dane,	4 00
G H Moody, Mrs. Moody,	4 00
C C Porter, Mrs. Brunell,	3 50
G W Race, Frank Corbin,	3 50
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	7 50
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	7 50
Geo. O Dunbar, Mrs. Moody,	3 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
S G Smith, Daniel Straw,	6 16
“ “ “	8 02
“ “ “	7 36
Frank Bolio, Landon child,	4 50
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs. Erskine,	10 00
“ “ D C Dane,	1 61
“ “ “	4 00
Etta Heath, “	2 50
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
J A Hunt, “ “	1 10
“ D C Dane,	2 50
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	6 50
N G Brooks, Charles Barton,	2 00
“ D C Dane,	25 50
“ Mrs. Moody,	3 00
S G Smith, D Straw,	5 71
C L Corbin & Co., D C Dane,	4 00
“ “ Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
H C Ellinwood, Mary Barton,	5 00

F Bolio, Landon child,	2 00
“ “ “ “	2 00
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
S J Demary, Mrs Brunell,	2 50
F Bolio, Landon child,	2 50
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs. Erskine,	10 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	7 50
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
F Bolio, Landon child,	2 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
S G Smith, D Straw,	13 72
S Jones, transient,	2 00
C L Corbin, & Co., Martha Rowell,	1 25
“ “ Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	3 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
C L Corbin & Co., John Blood,	2 70
“ “ Mrs. Erskine,	8 00
S G Smith, D Straw,	4 96
M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	7 50
N G Brooks, Dane & Erskine,	7 50
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	7 50
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell, wood,	8 00
“ “ “ “	2 50
G Colburn, D Straw, wood,	7 50
S G Smith, “ “	5 32
J A Hunt, Mrs. Erskine,	4 75
“ D Straw,	85
“ Landon child,	1 00
F Bolio, “ “	4 50
W H Labaree, D Straw,	3 25
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs. Erskine,	10 00

M C Burbank, Martha Rowell,	6 00
J Shores, Willie Dodge,	6 00
Isaac Tripp, transient,	4 00
G H Powers, D Straw, wood,	7 00
J Finnegan, transient,	8 00
C L Corbin & Co., Mrs Erskine,	8 00
S G Smith, D Straw,	14 91
G Way, transient,	50
S J Demary, Mrs. Brunell,	2 50
Wm. Hamlin, D C Dane,	2 00
	\$ 578 70

CEMETERIES.

Paid G Burnham, labor,	\$ 14 85
“ “ “	5 70
“ “ “	16 55
A Hunt, “	4 00
G Burnham, “	4 50
N J Walnum, breaking road,	75
E Whipple, labor,	9 00
W F Merrill, account,	7 00
H C Ellinwood, repairs on tomb,	2 00
“ “ account,	63 00
	\$ 126 85

TOWN DEBT.

Paid, Coupons,	\$ 87 50
“	12 50
“	12 50
“	62 50
Town Debt,	2,520 84
	\$ 2,695 84

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid R W Robertson, Auditor,	\$ 1 50
R W Piper, “	1 50
A Hunt, “	1 50
E H Tidd, Supervisor,	16 25
E R Perry, “	15 00
G S Bond, “	15 00
Geo. Olcott, Treas., and Selectmen's book,	30 00
Isaac Tripp, Constable,	10 00
H W Bond, Town Clerk,	25 00
S J Demary, Selectman,	160 00
Gardner Way, “	125 00
Geo. O Dunbar, “	125 00
D E Farwell, Board of Education,	30 00
R H Ramsay, “ “	30 00
O E Fisk “ “	15 00
Dexter Bradford, Collector,	150 00
	\$ 750 75

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E L Fletcher, blank book	\$ 26
G G Hunt, sheep killed by dogs	5 00
Wm. Mann, Selectmen's book	6 68
H H Jones, fire department	10 00
C H Bradford, " "	120 00
G W Race, scraping sidewalks 1885-6	54 00
G W Foggett, town reports and printing	39 25
J T Hatch, team, inventory school property	3 75
G O Dunbar, tax collector books	4 45
J M Whittaker, Lincoln Post, G. A. R.	28 00
H W Bond, taking affidavits	2 25
C Gay, rebate dog tax	1 00
O E Fisk, rebate dog tax,	1 00
G W Foggett, printing tax bills,	2 50
M P Bailey, rebate tax,	5 40
A R Cummings, recording,	50
S J Demary, attendance court,	5 00
" team, O'Brien case,	5 00
G W Foggett, printing check list,	10 00
W H Labaree, rope for town clock,	1 76
W S Gibson, repairing lobby,	4 00
D Bradford, L B Eaton tax.	5 31
G O Dunbar, Collectors book,	10 00
J P Hatch, scraping sidewalks, 1886-7	24 00
" team, O'Brien case,	75
S Foss, water trough 2 years,	4 00
" protection to tree,	5 30
N G Brooks, Geer spring,	61 09
G O Dunbar, cover for reservoir,	67
N G Brooks, births and deaths.	7 75
E M Blake, printing posters,	1 00
J M Whittaker, rebate, account error,	10 00
G O Dunbar, Ira Colby,	37 00
" H W Parker,	32 90
L Peçor, rebate dog tax,	2 00

G O Dunbar, stationery and stamps,	3 00
" attendance at court,	5 00
" mortgage book	8 80
J M Whittaker, births and deaths,	5 00
S L Lawrence, damage highway,	4 50
J Burt, Town clock,	15 00
H W Bond, births and deaths,	8 55
I Tripp, tuning piano, Town Hall,	2 50
" serving notices,	6 50
F A Fairbrother, highway damage,	10 00
G O Dunbar, recording death,	25
	\$ 580 67

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

DEXTER BRADFORD, *Collector*,

In account with the Town of Charlestown:

Dr.

Tax bills for 1886,.....	\$ 10,202 06
" " added	3 98
Interest collected	10 29
	\$ 10,216 33

Cr.

Paid State tax,.....	\$ 2,108 00
County ,, ...	1,966 82
High school, ...	800 00
Discounts allowed,.....	289 07
Town School tax rebate, ...	784 91
Highway non-res. receipts,.....	75 77
Taxes abated,.....	15 34
Town Treasurer,.....	4,176 42
	\$ 10,216 33

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Town Hall and furniture,.....	\$ 15,000 00
Gravel pits,.....	150 00
Three road scrapers,.....	75 00
Copies History,.....	152 80
Town Lobby,.....	150 00
Liquor on hand,.....	360 42
Town Safe,.....	950 00
Due from County on pauper acct.	44 41
E F Hubbard's note,.....	1000 00
Pine and oak lumber,.....	25 00
J G Brigg's note,.....	69 63
Due from Town Unity,.....	26 05
Balance in Trasurer's hands,.....	812 96

\$ 18,816 27

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS.

Town Bond,.....\$ 500 00

Balance in favor Town,.....\$ 18316 27

TOWN HALL.

The Custodian of the Town Hall reports \$25.00 on hand after paying all expenses, which has been paid to the Town Treasurer.

LIQUOR AGENT.

EDWARD COOLEY,

In account with the Town of Charlestown:

Dr.

Liquor on hand, Feb. 23d, 1886,.....\$ 371 75

Cr.

Liquor now on hand,.....\$ 360 42

Liquor sold before March 9th, 1886.... 11 33

\$ 371 75

CENSUS OF THE TOWN.

Population of the town June, 1880, ...	1586
Valuation of Real Estate, ...	\$ 582,835
Polls, 392, ...	39 200
Valuation of Personal Estate, ..	126,297
Toll bridge and mills, ...	10 850
Horses, 390, ...	27 200
Oxen, 78, ...	4 822
Cows, 659, ...	16 696
Neat stock, 197, ...	4 768
Sheep, 4012, ...	14 749
Hogs, 53, ...	336
.....	—————\$ 827 753
Scholars, 412. Dogs, 106.	

March 1, 1887.

The Selectmen recommend the raising of the following sums for the ensuing year:

For Schools, ...	\$ 2,800 00
Decorating Soldiers' graves on the 30th day of May next, ...	28 00
State and County tax, Roads and Bridges, Town Paupers, County Paupers, Cemeteries, Incidentals, Town Officers, Scraping of the sidewalks in the village of Charlestown, and Fire Department,	
The sum of, ...	3,000 00
Highway, ...	1,700 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SULLIVAN J. DEMARY,	} Selectmen of Charlestown.
GARDNER WAY,	
GEORGE O. DUNBAR,	

We hereby certify that we have examined the within accounts and find the same to be correct and properly vouched.

ABEL HUNT,	} Auditors,
R. W. PIPER.	
R. W. ROBERTSON,	

TABULAR REVIEW OF THE SCHOOLS.

TEACHERS.

Third Term.

Second Term.

First Term.

Districts.

No. 1	Ellen H. Rogers,	Carrie M. Houghton,	Grace A. Jackman,
" 2&3	Village.	F. E. Way,	F. E. Way,
" 4	Cathie A. Putnam,	Emma S. Putnam,	Everett M. Ball,
" 5	Emma S. Putnam,	Helen W. Farnum,	Emma S. Putnam,
" 6	Helen W. Farnum.	Ada E. Perry,	Lizzie S. Houghton,
" 7	Ada E. Perry,	Nellie L. Fisk,	Robert Alexander,
" 8	Myrtie L. Dunsmoor,		Clara R. Carpenter,
" 9	Bella S. Albee,		Carrie M. Houghton,
" 10	Anna M. Leighton,		Emma L. Dodge,
" 11	Discontinued.		
" 12	Grace A. Jackman,		
" 13	Emma L. Dodge,		
" 14			

TABULAR REVIEW OF THE SCHOOLS.

Districts.	No. scholars for 1886, by dist's.	Differ't schol's att'd'ng dur. yr	Avr. attend'ce.	Length of sch. in weeks.			Total.	Vis. Committee	Vis. by citiz'ns
				1st term	2d term	3d term			
No. 1.	25	21	14	10	8	14	32	6	53
" 4.	34	21	14	9	8	12	29	5	97
" 5.	28	15	12	9	8		17	5	21
" 6.	23	34	17	9	8	9	26	4	46
" 7.	21	13	11	9	9	11	29	6	25
" 8.	11	9	5	9		14	23	4	24
" 9.	18	16	11	9	15		24	5	19
" 10.	7	10	9		12		12	2	31
" 11.	26	21	13	8		10	18	4	12
" 12.	*								
" 13.	16	11	8	10	8	14	32	5	77
" 14.	22	12	6	9	9	10	28	3	51
Total.	231	183	120	91	85	94	270	49	456

*Discontinued.

WHOLE NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SCHOLARS STUDYING

Districts.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Vocal Music.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	Philosophy.	Nat. History.	Composition.	Botany.	Chemistry.	Physical Geog.	Latin.	Geometry.
No. 1.	21	20	20	29	13	11	12	12	1	5	1	1							
" 4.	19	19	13	13	8	3					1								
" 5.	14	14	8	11	7	7	2				1								
" 6.	34	32	20	29	22	18	11				3		1	10	1				
" 7.	13	13	13	13	6	4	2				1		1						
" 8.	8	8	8	8	4	4	2				1								
" 9.	14	14	14	12	6	6	4				1							1	1
" 10.	10	10	7	9	7	1	1				5								
" 11.	25	25	25	21	17	7													
" 13.	11	11	11	11	6	3	2		8	1									
" 14.	12	8	8	8	8	3													
Total.	181	174	147	155	104	67	25	12	19	12	12	1	3	13	1			1	1

ROLL OF HONOR.

No. 1. For one term, Ella Hastings, Olen Hastings.
For two terms, Claribel Greenwood.

No. 4. For one term, Nellie Parks, Jennie Eaton,
Esther Parks, Lulu Nash, Arthur Eaton, Bennie Barker,
Willie Eaton, Alfred Eaton, Jimmie Nash. For two
terms, Irvin Densmore. For three terms, Annie Fintell,
Eleanor Fintell.

No. 5. For one term, Eddie Heath, Frank Powers,
Martha Heath, Emma Heath, Mary Houghton, Daisy
Houghton. For two terms, Grace Putnam, John Dorsey.

No. 6. For one term, Carrie Gay, Julia Frost, Emma
Frost, Willie Towner. For two terms, Mary Jenney,
Willie Hunt.

No. 7. For one term, George Hart, George Hatch,
Willie Kendall. For two terms, Alice Perry, Frank
Perry, Fred Perry, Walter Perry.

No. 9. For one term, Fannie Fisk, Sabin Fisk, George
Fisk. For two terms, Nellie Fisk, Winnie Fisk, Jessie
Fisk, Wesley Fisk.

No. 10. For one term, Joe Fisk, John Meany, Bridget
Meany.

No. 13. For one term, Mary Cross, Blanch Keith,
Charlie Ramsay. For two terms, Elizabeth Brown, Gal-
en Ramsey. For three terms, Harland Ramsay.

No. 14. For one term, Louisa Hunt. For two terms,
Harry Hunt. For three terms, Guy Hunt.

REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
March 1, 1887.

Your committee in their report of schools will, as a matter of convenience, use the former numbers of districts in speaking of the different schools held in the town district.

It has been the endeavor of the committee to secure able and efficient teachers. Our expectations in every case may not have been fully realized, but, taken as a whole, we feel that our efforts have been attended with satisfactory results.

No. 1. The summer term was taught by Miss Ellen H. Rogers, and the winter term by Miss Grace A. Jackman, teachers of large experience and long service. The earnest interest shown in recitation and discipline by both teacher and scholar, in each of their respective terms, was

quickly perceptible to the visitor. Parents and scholars unanimously testify to satisfactory results attained, and speaking in the interest of schools, it is a loss when such teachers decide to change their vocation. The fall term was taught by Miss Carrie Houghton, her first experience as a teacher. She seemed earnest in her efforts to make the school a success.

No. 4. The summer term was taught by Miss Cathie Putnam of Lempster, N. H. As a teacher Miss Putnam was earnest and faithful. The school made good progress. The fall term by F. E. Way, Springfield, Vt. Mr. Way is a young man with good literary qualifications and has endeavored to make his school pleasant and profitable.

No. 5. This school was favored with the services of Miss Emma Putnam for the summer and fall terms. Her discipline in the school room is excellent. The school when visited always appeared well.

No. 6. Two terms of the school in this district were under the management of Miss Helen W. Farnum, Unity, N. H. Miss Farnum's qualifications for a teacher are good. She seemed untiring in her efforts to make the school successful.

No. 7. The summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Ada Perry. Miss Perry endeavored to do justice to her school, and when visited by your committee it appeared well. The winter term was taught by Miss Emma Putnam who has had considerable experience in teaching. Her efforts were attended with her usual success. Your committee decided to unite the schools in Districts 5 and 6 for the winter term and were fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Everett Ball of Bellows Falls. Mr. Ball brings to his aid a cultured mind, and with zeal and pleasure he enters his work. Possessing force and skill, he explains the different points of science clearly and understandingly. Few schools display more thoroughness of instruction.

No. 8. The spring term was taught by Miss Myrtie L. Dunsmoor. This was her first term. Winter term was taught by Miss Lizzie S. Houghton. This school has not been a success owing to irregular attendance.

No. 9. The summer term was taught by Miss Bella S. Albee (since deceased.) Conscientious and faithful in her duties, her school was orderly and pleasant. Winter term was taught by Mr. Robert Alexander. The interest of the pupils in their studies was manifest, and at the close of the school the exercises indicated a good degree of progress.

No. 10. This school was held in the room of a private house. An additional window is necessary if schools are to continue there. The one term of the year was taught by Miss Nellie L. Fisk, with no prior experience as a teacher. She certainly had the correct idea as to the necessity of good government. Her scholars were quiet and studious and their recitations well learned.

No. 11. "Jabes Meadow." The summer term was taught by Miss Anna Leighton, and the winter term by Miss Clara Carpenter. These teachers were earnest in their labors for the welfare of the school, and gave general satisfaction.

No. 13. Summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Grace A. Jackman. The teacher's deep interest in her work and especially her methods of teaching the infant classes were highly commendable. Winter term was taught by Miss Carrie Houghton. This school retains its reputation as a model in order and discipline. Fair advancement in the studies are shown during the term.

No. 14. This school was taught through the year by Miss Emma L. Dodge, and has made great improvement.

The discontinuance of No. 12 and the union of Nos. 5 and 6 for the winter term, are the only changes made during the year. It is very evident that under the present circumstances and condition of things, no practical trial of the new law can be obtained. In the southern section of the district, comprising the old districts Nos. 1, 11 and 13, we find a decided objection to union, if either of the old houses are used for the school. On the other hand a large majority are willing to unite in a suitable house provided for that purpose. (Probably the same sentiment prevails in the other sections of the town districts.) It is generally admitted that the uniting of the above old districts would be a step in the right direction and possibly a graded school supported.

D. E. FARWELL,	} School Board
R. H. RAMSAY,	
O. E. FISK,	

UNION DISTRICTS

Numbers 2 and 3.

Your superintending school committee beg leave to report for the school year just closed.

The first term of the schools was of ten weeks, commencing April 19th and closing June 25th.

The second term was of twelve weeks, commencing August 31st and ending November 19th.

The third term was of eleven weeks, commencing December 6th and closing February 18th.

The total number of school weeks was 33.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The average number of pupils belonging to the school was in the first term 21 ; the average daily attendance was 19 ; in the second term, 19 ; average daily attendance, 18 ; in the 3d term, 13 ; average daily attendance, 12.

In the third term, in addition to those belonging to the school, two young ladies have recited with the first class in Latin.

We call attention to the marked diminution in the number of pupils during the third and most important, and and usually the most fully attended term of the school.

This school has been in charge during the year of Mr. A. B. Crawford, M. A. The instruction has been of a high order. The requirements, however, have been in advance of the capacity of the scholars. We recommend that the prescribed course of study, which was for the two previous years scrupulously followed, be in the future, with such modifications as may from time to time be made by those in superintendence, strictly adhered to.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The average number of pupils belonging to this school was in the first term 26; the average daily attendance was 25; in the second term, 38; average daily attendance, 36; in the third term, 41; average daily attendance, 39. The number in attendance and the age of the scholars, make this the most important school in the district. Parents who have children in this transition stage of life, have reason to be thankful when a teacher is found who can both maintain discipline, teach thoroughly, and win the confidence of those under her charge. Miss Eastman has showed herself possessed of the qualities thus indicated. The graduating class of twelve were at different times subjected to a rigid examination by members of the committee, both orally and by tests in writing, and the results of the year's work were found to be exceedingly satisfactory. The many friends present at the closing examination cannot fail to confirm our good opinion both of the school and of the teacher.

NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

The average number of pupils belonging to the school was in the first term 30; the average daily attendance, 29; in the second term, 26; average daily attendance, 25; in the third term, 32; average daily attendance, 29.

Miss Ellea Young, the teacher of the last term of the previous year, has been in charge of the school during the year now closed. Each successive term has shown marked improvement both in teaching and in school administration. We are indebted to Normal School training, by which Miss Young has been qualified for her work, for some of these valuable results. The class which began reading with Miss Young delighted the large company of parents and friends who were present at the close of the school, by their clearness of utterance and good tone and accent. The committee were especially gratified with the oral examination in Geography.

SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

The average number of pupils belonging to the school was in the first term 30; the average daily attendance was 36; in the second term, 36; average daily attendance 34; in the third term, 30; average daily attendance 27. The teacher during the first term was Miss Olive Ruth Bidwell, who rendered good service, but resigned to take another position.

The teacher of the second and third terms was Miss Lois A. Hurd. Miss Hurd has shown herself deeply interested in her work and is energetic and painstaking. She has won the affection of parents and children. We are glad to report the marked and gratifying improvement in reading by all the classes in this school under Miss Hurd's faithful teaching. The full attendance of visitors at the closing exercises was evidence of the interest felt both in the school and teacher.

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REPORTS

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Selectmen and other Town Officers,

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Superintending School Committee,

— FOR THE YEAR ENDING —

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VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGES IN CHARLESTOWN DURING THE YEAR 1887.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age.	Color.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.	Name of the Minister.
Feb'y. 19, 1887,	Charlestown	Edward P. Little	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	24	W	Telegraph operator	Bath, N. H.	Edward P. Little Nancy S. Forsyth	Deceased. East Topsham, Vt.	1	Rev. G. H. French
		Mary E. Arnold	Charlestown	24	W		Lowell, Mass.	Win. W. Arnold Lydia Wood	St. Johnsbury, Vt. Kirby, Vt.	1	
March 1,	Newport, N. H.	Edward H. Wetherbee	Charlestown	42	W		Nelson, N. H.	Luther Wetherbee Lydia Wetherbee	Deceased	1	Rev. F. T. Latham
		Emma J. Bascom	Newport, N. H.	39	W		Newport, N. H.	Ruell Bascomb Sophia Bascom	Newport, N. H. Deceased	1	
June 18,	Charlestown	Dwight E. Mason	Fitchburg, Mass.	29	W	Telegraph operator	Swanton, Vt.			1	Rev. T. D. Howard
		Etta R. Tuttle	Fitchburg, Mass.	28	W					1	
June 20,	Charlestown	Lyman Robinson	Charlestown	35	W	Truckman	Milton, Vt.	Lemuel Robinson Emma Robinson	Ashburnham, Mass. Concord, N. H.	1	Rev. G. H. French
		Lillian Small	Charlestown	18	W	Servant	Unity, N. H.	James M. Small Carrie M. Small	Deceased	1	
July 26,	Charlestown	William J. Bassett	New Haven, Conn.	39	W	Clerk	New Haven, Conn.	Wm. E. Bassett Betsey Ann Flagg	Deceased Winchester, N. H.	1	Rev. T. D. Howard
		Alice C. Atwood	Charlestown	24	W		Rutland, Vt.	Loring Atwood Mary Hutchins	Winchester, N. H. Winchester, N. H.	1	

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS IN CHARLESTOWN DURING THE YEAR 1887.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	No. Col.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan. 18	Charlestown,	Eleanor Allen,	Female	Living	3	W Edmund L. Wheeler,	Jennie N. Putnam,	White	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Contractor,	Bethel, Vt.	Lempster, N. H.	30	23
Mar. 3	North Chas.	"	Male	"	2	Wesley A. Hunt,	Rosie J. Hunt,	"	North Charlestown,	Station Agent,	North Charlestown,	Newbury, N. H.	37	35
" 19	"	"	Female	"	2	Rollin A. Stimpson,	Julia E. Gardiner,	"	"	Laborer,	Canada, N. Y.	Vermont,	40	37
Apr. 23	Charlestown,	William Carrigan,	Male	"	3	Allison J. Parker,	Abbie F. Northrop,	"	Charlestown,	Dentist,	Chicago, Ill.	Seranton, Penn.	22	80
June 26	"	"	"	"	1	John Carrigan,	Nellie Roche,	"	Seranton, Penn.	Miner,	Weatherfield, Vt.	Milton, Vt.	29	22
Aug. 19	"	"	"	"	4	George H. Bryant,	Ellen M. Robinson,	"	Charlestown,	Laborer,	Weatherfield, Vt.	Winchendon, Mass.	28	25
" 25	"	"	Female	"	2	William H. Bosworth,	Ellen A. Long,	"	"	"	Royalston, Mass.	Westport, N. Y.	30	20
Sept. 29	"	"	Female	"	10	Corliss C. Porter,	Surviah A. Porter,	"	"	"	Canada,	Charlestown, N. H.	36	37
Oct. 20	"	Jane Elizabeth,	Male	"	7	George D. Clough,	Jannette H. Clark,	"	"	Butcher,	Putney, Vt.	Charlestown, Vt.	41	34
Nov. 17	"	Sarah Mary,	Female	"	2	Gilbert E. Spencer,	Hattie Demary,	"	"	Farmer,	Ireland,	Bridgewater, Vt.	29	33
Dec. 10	"	Mary I.	"	"	1	Robert J. Davis,	Mary C. Callahan,	"	"	Gardener,	Ludlow, Vt.	London, Eng.	39	29
" 11	"	"	"	"	3	Elmer S. Moore,	Nella Hudson,	"	"	Tynder,	Charlestown, N. H.	Baltimore, Md.	49	38
" 28	"	"	Male	"	8	Orson D. Cummings,	Susan L. Westney,	"	"	Physician,	Acworth, N. H.	Charlestown,	36	36
	"	"	"	"	3	Nathaniel G. Brooks,	Emma Preston,	"	"	Lawyer,	Alstead, N. H.			
	"	"	"	"	2	Benj. A. Gibson,	Mary S. Cushing,	"	Weeping Water, Neb.					

DEATHS AND BURIALS.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and sur- name of the deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Sex and condition.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
			Years.	Months.	Days.								
							Male.	Female.		Father.	Mother.		
							Married, sin- gle, widowed.	Color.					
Jan'y. 12.	Charlestown.	John T. Hatch.	37			Charlestown.	M	W	Merchant	Ireland.	Ireland.	Patrick Sheedy.	Bridget Goonan.
Jan'y. 26.	"	Kate Sheedy.	26	11	28	"	M	F	Servant	Langdon, N. H.	Granville, N. H.	Harvey E. Royce.	Kate Panouir.
Feb'y. 5.	"	Charles E. Royce.	20	4		Ballston Spa, N. Y.	M	W	S	Ireland.	Nova Scotia.	William Dillon.	Ellen Bergan.
Feb'y. 5.	Hartford, Vt.	Edward F. Dillon.	80				M	W	Student	Westminster, Vt.	Westminster, Vt.	Joel S. Page.	Amarilla Richardson.
Feb'y. 18.	Springfield, Vt.	Marguerite O'Brien.	27				F	W	Housewife	Lancaster, Mass.	Lancaster, Mass.	David Brooks.	Patience White.
April 2.	Charlestown.	Hattie A. Page.	96	2	17	Princeton, Mass.	F	W	Clerk	Chester, Vt.	Chester, Vt.	Jewett P. Kimball.	Sarah E. Ellison.
April 19.	No. Charlestown.	Elizabeth B. Clark.	26			Healdville, Vt.	F	W		Putney, Vt.	Putney, Vt.	David Cobb.	Sally White.
April 22.	Charlestown.	Sarah Kenney.	79				M	W	Carpenter				
April 28.	Grafton, Vt.	Josiah M. Cobb.	64			Orford, N. H.	M	W	Blacksmith	Surry, N. H.	Charlestown.	Vryling Nevers.	Lucretia Adams.
April 30.	Charlestown.	Absalom P. Foss.	69	2			M	W	Merchant	Royalston, Mass.	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Alfred Carpenter.	Martha L. Gilbert.
July 18.	"	William H. Labaree.	59	11	25	Charlestown.	M	F		Three Rivers, P. Q.	Winchendon, Mass.	Wm. H. Bosworth.	Ellen A. Long.
July 30.	"	Harriet A. Tuttle.	14	9		Springfield, Mass.	M	W	Farmer	Ireland.	Randolph, Vt.	George Boss.	Vina Desgesnais.
Aug. 3.	"	Martha A. Carpenter.	95	6		Roxbury, Mass.	M	W					
Aug. 21.	"	Martin Lawton.	11			Charlestown.	M	W					
Aug. 29.	"	William J. Bosworth.	3			Springfield, Vt.	M	W					
Oct. 11.	Springfield, Vt.	Infant.	68			Canada.	F	W	Housekeeper				
Nov. 22.	"	Margaret Laundry.					F	W					
Dec. 24.	"	Infant.				Springfield, Vt.	F	W				Cornellus Donovan	Elizabeth Welch.

Sept. 3,	Charlestown	Fred L. King	Keene, N. H.	22 W	Machinist	Freeport, Me.	David P. King	Deceased	1	Rev. T. D. Howard
		Lillie J. Cooley	Charlestown	19 W		Charlestown.	Julia Adams	Deceased	1	
Sept. 30,	Plainfield, N. H.	John F. Butler	Charlestown	28 W	Farmer	Boston, Mass.	John F. Cooley	Charlestown	1	
		Katie M. Saltmarsh	Plainfield, N. H.	24 W	Dressmaker	Ware, N. H.	Lucy J. Peaslee	Charlestown	1	
Oct. 18,	No. Charlestown	Squire G. Smith	Charlestown	63 W	Farmer	Chesterfield, N. H.	Helen Harrington	Deceased	1	Rev. Wm. Bartlett
		Margaret Middleton	Charlestown	50 W	Cook	Galway, Ireland.	Gilman M. Saltmarsh	Ware, N. H.	1	
Oct. 27,	Charlestown	Arthur O. Putnam	Claremont, N. H.	27 W	Jeweler	Unity, N. H.	Susan A. Jones	Unity, N. H.	1	Rev. F. H. Corson
		May Franklin	Charlestown	19 W		Charlestown.	Benj. Smith	Chesterfield, N. H.	2	
Oct. 30,	Charlestown	Dennis B. Piper,	Keene, N. H.	47 W	Mechanic	Peterborough, N. H.	John Rhane	Galway, Ireland	2	Rev. T. D. Howard
		Alice M. Robbins	Charlestown	23 W	Housekeeper	Morgan, Vt.	Bridget Higgins	Deceased	1	
Nov. 3,	Charlestown	Thomas Looney	Springfield, Vt.	27 W	Weaver	Rutland, Vt.	Henry D. Putnam	Deceased	1	Rev. G. H. French
		Eva McIntire	Springfield, Vt.	20 W	Weaver	Strafford, N. H.	Adaline M. Reed	Deceased	1	
Dec. 3,	Charlestown	Monford L. Wilkins	Woodstock, Vt.	30 W	Farmer	Reading, Vt.	Martha E. Franklin	Deceased	1	
		Mary E. Douglas	Fargo, Dak.	26 W	Dressmaker	Hartland, Vt.	Pinney Piper	Ireland	1	Rev. T. D. Howard
Dec. 7,	Charlestown	Frank J. White	Springfield, Vt.	21 W	Farmer	Springfield, Vt.	Peggy M. Spofford	Deceased	1	
		Dena M. Townsend	Charlestown	21 W		Bethel, Vt.	George Robbins	Deceased	1	
Dec. 26,	No. Charlestown	Frank W. Hamlin	Charlestown	24 W	Merchant	Charlestown.	John Looney	Deceased	1	Rev. F. H. Corson
		Ada E. Perry	Charlestown	23 W	School teacher	Charlestown.	Mary Fitzgerald	Deceased	1	
							Wm. McIntire	Reading, Vt.	1	
							Amanda Lucas	Springfield, Vt.	1	
							Jennett Gilson	Deceased	1	
							John W. Douglas	Barnard, Vt.	1	
							Cynthia Douglas	Woodstock, Vt.	1	
							James E. White	Charlestown	1	
							Emily E. McCrae	Charlestown	1	
							R. R. Townsend	Charlestown	1	
							Sylvia M. Benson	Charlestown	1	
							Geo. W. Hamlin	Charlestown	1	
							Ellen L. White	Charlestown	1	
							James E. Perry	Charlestown	1	
							Emma R. Hunt	Billerica, Mass.	1	

PRIZES.

Five dollars of school money was expended in prizes, which were offered to the scholars in the Grammar and the two Primary schools, for the greatest improvement in deportment, reading and writing respectively. The stimulus thus imparted proved a promoter of good conduct and industry. The occasion of awarding the prizes was an interesting feature of the closing exercises of the several schools.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. D. HOWARD,	} Superintending School Committee.
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